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OFFICIAL CALL

Republican State Convention To Be Held at Lansing.

Prudden Auditorium Tuesday, February 18, 1919.

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capher, and William H Grahem, of
Lansing as clerk An expert auditor
also will be engaged later

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Republican County Committee.

When Congress authorized the President to take over the railroads it fixed the time of government operation to be for the period of the war and for 21 months thereafter. To provide a means of financing such an operation a erevolving fund of Brennan and Reps. Evans, Welsh, \$500,000,000 was set aside for the and Wiley. Music was furnished by use of the Director General in supplying funds to needy roads for school maintenance and equipment. It was supposed by the legislators that the huge sum would be ample to meet all senate and house to have ballots prerequirements; in fact it was anticipated in United States senatorial the form of bills, but the state budget In pated that long before it was ex- elections, to restore party enroll-

through a period of years, as con- of its candidates at the last preceding practically exhausted in the very first year of Federal administration. The Director General in his annual report admits that over \$453,000,000 ments to the government for its raised during their terms of office. they are ever made, must come from Senator Miller has introduced a bill pose and turned into further loans to regulate traffic when necessary. the result is only to sink the roads deeper into the financial mire.

A survey by the Department of city of Washington discloses the fact that elevator conductors in the Food ment for the same service in other departments ranged as low as \$480. Other lines of work show similar discrepancies in compensations among the other government offices.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATION

Alma post office, on February 3. Full By order of the Board of Directors. information as to the examination may be secured from Merrill Stuckey, secretary of the local board, at the Alma post office.

The Alma Record. LETTER FROM THE

HOUSE WILL SEND COMMITTEES MATY ON PERSONAL VISITS TO IN STITUTION DESPITE SENATE PROTEST

Speaker Read and Lieut. Governor Dickinson Named Committee to investigate Jackson Prison.

its William Lee Catnon.

-Lansing Mich.

to them, so they can inform them basis, eliminating all fees, selves by personal observation on the Rep. Warner introduced a bill to most any other important disease.

Charles O Blinn, of Caro, chairman; member of the Committee on Rep Fred H Wells, of Cassopous; to Organization and Order of Busic Rep Robert B McDonald, of Hough on Ion: Senator J. Mark Harvey, of Con-(0) Two members of the Republican State stantine, and Senator George Millen. of Ann Arbor The committee engaged

> mote a "Victory Highway" actous the of tractors. gested for this highway.

Phil J Congrove of Hastings, good roads enthusiast made a stirring a short time and it will go to the people at the April election

4 to increase the powers of the state righway commissioner in the construction of trunk line roads. The bill presents a graduated scale of pay ments to be made by counties on trunk line work. The state highway commissioner could order trunk line work done and the counties in which it was done would have to pay their share If they were slow about paying, held from them

One of the most impressive services ever held in the capitol was the memorial for Theodore Roosevelt The wonderful career of America's foremost citizen was covered in fine speeches of eulogy by Speaker Tom Read, Lieut Gov. Dickinson, Attorney General Groesbeck Senator Vincent the boys' band from the Industrial

Bills have been introduced in the required to swear that they are membars of the party in which they are But instead of carrying the roads candidates and supported a majority paign of last summer and fall.

Senator Wood wants to smend the of that amount has been expended al. state constitution so that members of ready. Not only that but \$235,000, future legislatures will be paid \$1,200 000 has been taken from surplus re- instead of \$800 as at present. Sensceipts of railroad and express com- tor Hayes wants another constitupanies and loaned back to the roads tional amendment to provide that saiin addition to the millions from the aries of supreme court fustices and revolving fund. Of dourse repay- judges of courts of record may be loans from the revolving fund, if | For the benefit of summer resorts.

the surplus earnings, but when those to provide for traffic officers in uninearnings are diverted from that pur- corporated villages and in townships The state health board has had a

bill introduced by which the board as at present constituted would be Labor of government salaries in the abolished. In its place it is proposed to have a state health commissioner. to serve a six year term at a salary Administration were paid as high of \$6,000 a year, and a deputy at \$3 as \$1,800 per annum, while pay- 000 a year. In addition there would

NOTICE

Carburetor Co.: For your convenience the place for holding the annual stockholders' og has been shanged to take There will be a special United place at the First State bank instead States civil service examination for I at the offices of the company clerk-carrier for employment at the Time 1:30 p. m., January 27th.

save, save, save.

be a council of health of five members, at least three of them practicing physicians, appointed by the governor to six year terms. In time of STATE CAPITOL spidemic the state commissioner, with could establish quarantines and bans in places where it was deemed neces-

Rep. McDonald has introduced a bill to amend the compensation act so that compensation would be increased from 55 per cent to 66 2-3 per cent of an injured workman's wages Notice of advertising rates and the schedule. Notice of chartes and the schedule and the sc who are incapacitated from earning amined for fear that his suspicions their own living, and fathers-in-law that he may have tuberculosis will

Rep. Robinson has introduced a bill Evans has put in a bill to make coun-Refusing to be "bossed" by the blicking of the state of State senate, the house of representa
A State Convention of the Republicans of the senate, the house of representatives to leave to bossed in the lives is sending its committees on Miles introduced a bill to put all councillation of ten of getting com-Refusing to be "bossed" by the Bleenses, the county to get a fee of of things in time. If he takes the exthe various state institutions on trips by officers in all counties on a salary pletely well. In fact, more people get

needs of each one. Rep Douel tried prohibit baseball games, horse racing. Republican State to get the house to follow the lead of circuses, carnivals or other sport enof Committee and a chairman thereof, the senate in abandoning the institu-tive trace trace and a chairman thereof, the senate in abandoning the institu-tional visits but the house members \$500 fine or a year's imprisonment the voted 65 to 20 in favor of the trips, penalty for violations. Another eight House members became wrought up hour day bill has appeared in the over the alleged effort of the senutors house. It is aimed to cover all public to tell the house what it should do. | work, making eight hours the stand-The committee to investigate the ard day, with time and a half for

The state labor department has had Gov. Dickinson, and has begun its two bills introduced one of which inwork. The committee consists of Rep. creases the term of the commissioner from two to four years and the other increases the coal mine inspector's pay from \$4 a day to \$2,200 a year.

rent resolution that is accepted in legislative circles as a slap at Henry fation that will compel the use of safe seris. ty appliances. The house referred the Therefore, people in this city and Good roads have received more at resolution to the committee on agri. county are invited to attend the free [tention than anything else in logistal culture. Rep. Evans, chairman of the clinics in the interest of their own tive circles recently. A meeting was latter committee, has already intro-health as well as in the interest of held here of representatives of thir duced a bill that aims to compel the the general public. A considerable teen country, who organized to pro- use of lenders on year driving wheels number of those examined will prob-

state. It is planned to have it run | flep Evans has another measure, But knowledge of that fact should be from St Joseph and Rentor Blathor which he is planning to introduce soon, worth a great deal to anyone. The to Kalamazoo, to Battle Creek, to by which the county treasurers of the Michigan Anti-tuberculosis associa-Butle Creek to Lansing, to Owosso, state will be made the county agents tion will not come here to make a to fork there with one branch running of the secretary of state for the is. large showing in "positive cases" to Port Huron and the other to Sagi suance of automobile Heenses. The but to help as many people as posnaw and Bay City Small parks and plan is to have 25 cents allowed on sble who are affected with the disease markers on which the names of Mich each license issued, to pay the ex or threatened by it. Hence all should igan soldiers could be placed are sug pense of the county in handling the

Benotyed: That the various townships and sarry of the county of Gratist in foture Republican conventation the county of Gratist in foture Republican conventation thereon he can be in the county of the sensitive of the sensitive of the sensitive of the constitution are begin ments to the constitution are begin ming to pile up and if all of them go and the for servicing of State and one delegant for servicing of the county committee be and is hereby instructed to follow this rule as a basis for the apportionment of delegants to future county recognitions of the sensition of the constitution are begin ments to the constitution are begin ming to pile up and if all of them go through the voters will have plenty of unanimous vote the Connelly Joint resolutions proposing amend ments to the constitution are begin ming to pile up and if all of them go through the voters will have plenty of unanimous vote the Connelly Joint resolutions are begin ming to pile up and if all of them go through the voters will have plenty of unanimous vote the Connelly Joint resolutions are begin ming to pile up and if all of them go through the voters will have plenty of unanimous vote the Connelly Joint resolutions are begin ming to pile up and if all of them go through the voters will have plenty of unanimous vote the Connelly Joint resolutions are begin ming to pile up and if all of them go through the voters will have plenty of unanimous vote the Connelly Joint resolutions. Joint resolutions proposing amendunanimons vote the Connelly Joint res | questions to decide at the election on of the Union Telephone company, has expected to pass the resolution within they are able to read and write any section of the state constitution. Rep. Holland proposes that the age of male voters be changed from 21 to 18, in On August 1st, 1918, the United Rep. Aidrich has introduced a lift view of the fact that Uncle Sam went States Government by act of Condraft. Rep. Donn wants the constitutees of the governor.

> and August Kelley. Cloak room keep-Morgan; chief janitor, Ora Yerty; assistants, Harold Rose, Frank Wilson, Richard Stoit, Will Rellly, Almon Bowclerk, Maud Barnum, Speaker's mesmessenger. Theodore Burdick.

Nearly all the state institutions are ations needed for the two years, lu commission which prepared the bud changes have all been divided into

no the cutting where necessary

speared or netted. Rep. Deael has in troduced a bill for the licensing of does an interesting feature of which

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy To the Stockholders of the Western cough or cold you may wish to know school. what it has done for others. Mrs. O The church recently purchased a Cook, Mason, Ill., writes, "I have site for a new building at the corner found it gives the quickest relief of of Superior and Court, feeling the Mo., says, "Chamberlain's Cough location. The building committee is Remedy cannot be heat for courses and colds." H. J. Moore, Oval. Pa. says, "I have used Chamberlain's ture, which the church hopes to start The philosophy of the W. S. S. is cold upon my chest and it has always List your farm brought about a cure."

FREE CLINIC Free Clinic Will Be Held in Alma

Last Two Days of Month. Perhaps the one thing that more than anything else will restrain people from coming to the free tuberculosis examinations that the Michigan Anti-tuberculosis association will conduct in Alma January 30 and 31, will be fear to face the facts

about their physical condition. There is in many people an un-reasonable fear, the Michigan Antituberculosis association points out which is responsible for a great deal of real harm. Many a man who feels list of dependents children over 18 nimself run down is afraid to be exprove to be correct.

"Fear should not hold anyone to provide that tubercular and dis- back," said Dr. E. R. Vander Slice, eased cattle must be quarantined. Rep. medical director of the association. "A person who is run down and who ty treasurers the agents of the secre- is told that he has tuberculosis should pary of state in the sale of automobile be glad he has learned the real state well from tuberculosis than from al-

"But the point must be borne in mind that the disease must be attended to early. And that is what the Michigan Anti-tuberculosis association is trying to do in these free clinics to help the people to attend to it early. I hope for that reason that all persons who are physically run down will come to the free examinations when they are held here."

Figures gathered from the county records show that the death rate in this county from tuberculosis is about as high in proportion to the population as in most of the counties in the state. It simply proves once more what is well known to tuberculosis workers, that there is no community The senate has adopted a concurtinat is free from the disease and that much hard work has to be done here as well as elsewhere if the death rate Ford. It consures the sale of farm is to be cut down in Michigan. There rapher, and William H. Graham, of tractors that are not equipped with feat is much opportunity in this commuders or safety devices on rear driving mity for constructive work along wheels, and declares in favor of legis health lines the state association as-

take advantage of the clinics freely, is the advice given by the association.

MAKES STATEMENT

Manager Melchers of Union Company Tells of Needs.

J. Melchers, general manager issued a statement relative to a proposed classification of the exchanges and rate adjustments of the Union company. The statement, which is of interest to all telephone company patrons, follows:

out and listed youths of 18 for the gress took over the telephone properics in the United States, tion to provide that the governor and that time the property of the Union lieutenant governor be the elective Telephon company has been operated state officers and making the secre- by the Government through the Posttary of state, state treesurer, auditor master General. The act of Congress general and attorney general appoint placing telephone properties under the Postmaster General's supervision requires him to pay the owners a just Speaker Read has announced house compensation for the use of the propstate reward money could be with appointments as follows: Assistant crty, but no appropriation was made sergeants, Joseph Brennan. Charles for this purpose so that the telephone Orther, Richard Birkholm, William revenue must meet the expense. For Richter, George Cook and ileary the past fifteen months the net rev-Reed Document room keeper, J. Ray onue from our exchanges has been Pisher; assistants. James Schriver decreasing from month to month and for a number of months past the er. Walter Collins; assistant, Frank revenue will not pay the expense. This loss must be met by increasing the rates. That revenues are insufdicient must be obvious to all. No erman and Perry Backus. Speaker's other business has been able to exist in these times without increasing senger. Albert Tederstrom Press rates. The decrease in income is due primarily to the advance in the cost of material and labor. But wages must be farther advanced over the aubmitting their estimates of appropriational satisfactory service to the present scale if the company is to

In the proposed schedule the exhausted some of the first loans made ments and compel candidates for office would be coming back into the to run on one ticket only by being manent budget commission also has are substantially similar have been are substantially similar have been prepared estimates of what will be placed in the same group. The local needed by the institutions, so that the rates in force at the various exways and means committee of the changes where conditions are subhouse and the finance committee of stantially similar are not all the templated by the framers of the election. Both these bills are echoes the senate will have them for conside same. It is the aim of the company legislation, the "revolving" fund is of the Newberry-Ford senatorial came eration is connection with the budget to remove by the classification of exchanges into groups all discriminafutting of weeds along highways of tions in rates so that in all exchanges the state is the idea of Rep. Denel in the rates will be the same where the two bills introduced in the house One conditions under which telephone bill would compet all owners of land service is furnished are telephonicaladjoining the highways on all nor ly similar. It is generally known that ious weeds by July 1 of each year. If the expense per station increases as any do not, then they would be come the size of the exchange increases, pelled to pay the cost of buring them Likewise, the value of the service to cut. The other hill makes it the duty the user increases as the number of of the highway commissioner to see telephones increases. It is the aim of that all noxious weeds are cut and to the company by the group arrangements to make the rates fair and equitable to all subscribers in the va-Rep. Case has introduced a bill at rious exchanges. Further, the whole cending from May I to May Se of each problem of telephone rates is much year the time in which care, mullet, simplified for the public and the regpike, red sides and suckers may be ulatory bodies by the proposed plan.

CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY

The First Church of Christ of this is a provision that any one may kill city will celebrate its eighth annithat seem requesting breathers of versary on Sunday, February 16. The church was organized in this city February 19, 1911, with five families. The membership now totals 270, Last Sunday there were 322 in the Sunday

ough recently I have ever used," need of a large church. This site James A. Knott, Chillicothe, was selected because of its central

List your farm and city property with Boyd & Parnell,

Coke Sale

FURNACE COKE

Per Ton Delivered

Per Ton at Gas plant

CHESTNUT COKE

For Hard Coal Burners

\$10.25 per Ton Delivered \$9.25 per Ton at Gas Plant

Gratiot County Gas Co.

Michigan Fuel Co.

Notice of Application to Railroad Commission

In accordance with the provisions of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1913, notice is hereby given that an application will be presented by The Union Telephone Company to the Michigan Railtond Commission at the offices of the Commission in the Oakland Building, in the City of Lansing, Michigan, on the thirtieth day of January, 1919 at 10 A. M. of that day, for authority to after, by standardizing and making more nearly adequate, the Schedule of Rates, Rentals and practices in effect in all the local exchanges of The Union Telephone Company in the State of Michigan, by establishing a standard schedule, as set forth below, and said Commission will be then and there requested to fix a date of hearing of said application.

Proposed Standard Schedule Net Annual Rates:

Number	POPULATION RANGE	*Type of Switch- board	Pint Rate		Plat Rate			FARM LINE True Com Com		Bey	The second second second		EXTENSION SETS not over 660 ft. from the Main No.	
			1-9'17	4-p'ty	1-p'ty	2-9/17	4-9'17	Bus.	Res.	Bus.	Res.	Bus.	Res.	
1	Up to 2000	Mg	\$24.00	\$	\$18.00	\$	\$15.00	\$24.00	\$18.00	\$27.00	\$21.00	\$9.00	\$5.00	
2	1501 to 4500	C. B. Mg.	30.00		18.00		15.00 15.00	24.00			21.00	9.00	6.00	
3	3501 to 10000	C. B. Mg.	36.00 30.00		24.00 21.00	21.00		24.00 24.00		27.00 27.00		9.00	6.00	
4	8001 to 20000	C. B. Mg	42.00 36.00	36,60	27.00 24.00		21.00 18.00				21.00	9.00	6.00 6.00	

NOTE: *- Type of Switchboard. C.B -Common Battery. Mg - Magneto.

No. 1 Type COMMERCIAL BRANCH EXCHANGE—Common to all Groups

SWITCHBOARD and OPERATOR SEI NON-MULTIPLE		TRUNE LINES	STATIONS Located nat over 660 Feet from the Switchboard						
Piret Position	Additional Positions		First Tra	Next Farty	Nest Pitty	All Others			
\$30.00	\$24.00 each	\$6.00 more than the 1-Party Business Rate	Rate for each	Rate for each	Rate for each	Rate for eac \$6.00			

MULTIPLE SWITCHBOARDS, ORDER TABLES and OTHER SPECIAL APPARAICS: Bate based on the installed cost of the apparatus and associated wiring

MILEAGE: For branch exchange stations and extension stations, located more than 660 feet and less than 1.320 feet from the switchboard or main station, an additional charge will be made of \$3.75 per annum, plus an additional \$3.75 per annum for each additional quarter mile or fraction thereof, except where it is necessary to use a cable pair in the Telephone Company's exchange cable, in which event the additional charge will be \$7.50 per annum per quarter mile or fraction

No. 2 Type—Common Battery Exchanges

TRUN	E LINES	STATIONS			
Business	Residence	Hustaess	Residence		
\$6.00 more than the	\$6.00 more than the 1-Party Residence Rate	\$34.00	\$18.00		

EXCESS COST Where local conditions are such that excessive construction or maintenance

At Magneto Exchanges, rate will be based on the installed cost of the apparatus and associated

cost is involved, the subscriber will pay such excess cost. ALMA Exchange

specified in said schedule for said group will be requested to be authorized for said exchange, and will supersede the rates now in effect as listed below. Present Frieting Schadule Gross Annual Rates

will be assigned to Group No. 3 Mg. of said standard schedule and the rate, rentals and practices

BUSINESS	RESIDENCE SERVICE Fiat Bate		VARM LINE SERVICE		SETS		PRIVATE BRANCH EXCHANGE			
Plat Rate							Switchboard & Chr. Sel	Trunk Lines	Torminals	
820.00 J	\$14.00	The second second	\$17.00	1	88 00	\$8.00	3707-301	\$20.00	\$14.00	

Discount on above rates if paid in advance, \$2.00 per year.

Desk Set, additional charge on above rates, Rural Service \$2.00 per year.

P. B. X. Terminal Mileage: The rates quoted above are for stations located on the same premises as the switchboard. For stations not on the same premises add \$2.90 per annum per quarter mile or fraction thereof of extra circuit. Where the firm or individual occupies more than one building, all of the buildings being on the same premises, without intervening public streets or alleys, terminal stations may be installed in any one of the buildings located within 1,300 feet of the switchboard without extra charge for mileage.

The increase of rental practice or change proposed is the difference in proposed schedule supra

Attention is directed to the fact that under the provisions of Act 266 the Michigan Railroad Commission will, upon receipt of application, fix the date of hearing which will not be more than wenty (20) days from the receipt of application.

> THE UNION TELEPHONE CO. W. J. Melchers, General Manager.